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## JOINT DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, we hereby declare that

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names;

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE HAVING A CONTROL SYSTEM CAPABLE OF EASILY AND RELIABLY REWRITING A CONTROL PROGRAM IN EACH TERMINAL CONTROL UNIT** the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

### Prior Foreign Application(s)

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)	Date of Issue (day, month, year)	Priority Claimed Under 35 U.S.C. §119
Japan	306514/1999	28 Oct. 1999		yes

### Prior United States Application(s)

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) and §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial Number	Date of Filing (Day, Month, Year)	Status — Patented, Pending, Abandoned

And we hereby appoint, both jointly and severally, as our attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith the following attorneys who are all members of the Bar of the District of Columbia, their registration numbers being listed after their names:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

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**ASSIGNMENT**

IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) or the equivalent thereof, and other good and valuable consideration paid to MASARU OHKUBO, YOSHIAKI INOKUMA, AKIYOSHI KOSANO, NAOTO MATSUMOTO and KAZUYASU USHIGOME, all subjects of Japan, by SANDEN CORPORATION, a corporation organized under the laws of Japan, located at 20 Kotobuki-Cho, Isesaki-Shi, Gunma Japan, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, We the said, MASARU OHKUBO, YOSHIAKI INOKUMA, AKIYOSHI KOSANO, NAOTO MATSUMOTO and KAZUYASU USHIGOME, hereby sell and assign to said SANDEN CORPORATION, and their successors and assigns, all our right, title and interest in and for the United States of America, in and to the invention of "AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE HAVING A CONTROL SYSTEM CAPABLE OF EASILY AND RELIABLY REWRITING A CONTROL PROGRAM IN EACH TERMINAL CONTROL UNIT" invented by us and described in the application being filed concurrently herewith, for United States Letters Patent therefore, and all United States Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, the said interest being the entire ownership of the said Letters Patent when granted to be held and enjoyed by said SANDEN CORPORATION, their successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

And We hereby agree to sign and execute any further documents and instruments which may be necessary, lawful, and proper in the prosecution of said above-named application or in the

preparation and prosecution of any continuing, continuation-in-part, substitute, divisional, renewal, reviewed or reissue applications or in any amendment, extension, or interference proceedings, or otherwise to secure the title thereto to said assignee.

And We do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said SANDEN CORPORATION.

Signed this 17th day of October, 2000.

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